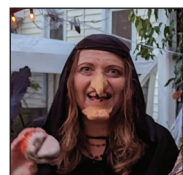


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Community Rallies to Support Music, Art at the New Deal Café

by Katy Gaughan

The Masquer-AID the Café Ball at the New Deal Café on October 14 was the culminating Gala event of a months-long campaign that raised more than \$25,000 for the New Deal Café's music and arts program. The Masquer-AID Ball was attended by 100 people in a mix of costume and formal dress, wearing a vast array of decorative masks. The Ball featured the music of 49 Cent Dress featuring Liz Springer and Wild Anacostias. Guests enjoyed a full spread of hor d'oeuvres and a champagne toast. In between bands, members of the community shared what they love about the Café. That part of the program was a magical time of heartwarming stories as Gala guests described the many



A full house at the New Deal Café for the Masquer-AID the Café Ball on October 14

experiences that showed what a positive, and in some cases life-changing, effect the Café has had on the Greenbelt community over the last 28 years. It was a special evening, made all the more momentous as it was announced that the original fundraising goal of \$10,000 was far exceeded and the final amount raised was over \$25,000.

The fundraiser was announced at the August New Deal Café board meeting, when it was revealed that the New Deal Café music and arts program has not had any steady income since before the pandemic and that some grant proposals had been rejected. The reserves were getting low and something needed to happen.

The Gala planning team sprung into action, led by Katy Gaughan. Gaughan, Café Music Coordinator Caitlin Gompf, Michael Hartman, president of the board, and Charles Smith, who found an anonymous donor to cover the expenses of the project, started planning an event that would sell tickets and recruit sponsors to be part of a Wall of Fame Plaque that will be hung at the Café. Ticket sales and donations steadily climbed and in just a

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Three Pumpkin Carving Sites Aim to Serve One Greenbelt

by Cavit Ireland

Spiderman, a cat and plenty of other face-painted children carved spooky smiles into their pumpkins at the Springhill Lake Pumpkin Carving on Friday, October 27. It was the final of the year's three carving events, which are part of the beloved Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival. They occurred at different locations in the city – Schrom Hills Park, Springhill Lake Recreation Center and Roosevelt Center.

It's an event that has expanded over recent years. Event organizer Stacy Stewart said that from 1988 to 2018 there was only one pumpkin carving and one pumpkin walk, both in Greenbelt Center. To make the event more accessible, in 2018 it was transformed into a festival with events all week leading up to Halloween in multiple locations. This year there were three carving events and two walks (though one had



Young Matthew Jefferson poses with his pumpkins at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

to be cancelled due to winds). The new format ensures that all Greenbelt residents live within walking distance from at least one of the carvings. "Every section [of the festival] is a little bit different, centered around carving, but with the personality of wherever you are," said Carolyn

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Bat Walk Draws a Crowd

by Kristin Fletcher

Can you say crepuscular? The term, which means active during the twilight hours, was just one of the fascinating facts about bats shared by bat enthusiast Sarah Witcher at the first Bat Walk in the Greenbelt Forest Preserve on September 15. The walk was one of a series of events celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Preserve in 2023, an effort spearheaded by forest advocates Susan Barnett, Paul Downs and local artist Jean Newcomb.

Witcher, a biologist by training who works for the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, together with her colleague Katie Dell, a biologist and outdoor educator who works for Baltimore County Public Schools, spoke to an enthusiastic crowd of nearly 50 of all ages, with even the littlest ones, replete with bat ears, chiming in to eagerly share what they knew about bats and



Katie Dell demonstrates the echo meter to some young bat watchers.

bat myths (they are all vampires waiting to suck your blood and give you rabies).

Bats belong to the order Chiroptera, which means "hand-wing." Their hand is literally their wing, and they are the only mammals that can fly. The first

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Day of the Dead: A Living Tradition in Greenbelt

by Bonnie Schrack

The famed Mexican celebration called el Día de Los Muertos (the Day of the Dead) is alive and well in the homes of some Greenbelt residents of Mexican origin.

While the name of the festival may sound morbid or scary to some, it's experienced by those who continue the tradition as a joyful, meaningful and festive way for families to celebrate their ties with loved ones who have died, but whose memories continue to enrich the living.

By creating an altar dedicated to the "fieles difuntos" or deceased faithful, memories are kept alive and hearts warmed by connections with ancestors and other relatives who still make up part of the fabric of the community.

The altars pictured were created here in Greenbelt by Veronica Ramos in 2021 and 2022. Ramos has lived here for 20 years. She makes this cel-

bration happen for her family as a way of keeping their Mexican culture and traditions alive, and to pass them on to the younger generation.

With the various offerings on the altar, the family hopes to attract and give enjoyment to the souls they anticipate. The light of the candles is meant to guide them on their paths. On any Day of the Dead altar, there are many flowers, offerings of food and

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Day of the Dead altar created by Veronica Ramos in 2021

Election 2023

Candidate Bios

Visit our website, greenbeltnewsreview.com, to reread the biographies submitted by the candidates for city council that were printed in previously issues of the paper.



Letters to the Editor

Heartfelt Gratitude

Celebrating 95 years in a single day and then acknowledging what a day it was. Huge thank yous to my awesome family, my fantastic friends and my neighborly neighbors as each one holds a special place in my heart and in my mind.

It has dawned on me (because of a special birthday gift blanket I recently received) that I have lived for 4956 weeks, 34698 days, 832,752 hours and 49,965,174 minutes. Almost all




PHOTO COURTESY DOUG MANGUM

of which as a Greenbelt resident. Memories filled my soul and makes it hard to express the amount of love and kindness I have received over this lifetime. An accumulation of caring in so many years from so many people.

To all the attendees on this auspicious occasion, many of which were local whom I see often. Many of which traveled from near and far including but not limited to Va., Pa., N.C., Colo., N.H. and Illinois.

Stories told and shared about my time on earth and time in Greenbelt (mostly 13 Court) spent being ever so hospitable to all and loved by all, will be forever cherished.

“Her children and the home she kept was as high a priority as her faith in God. Her befriending of her kids’ friends and church members allowed her to be a beacon of grace, non-judgment, acceptance and giving of experiential wisdom.” (son Doug)

I wish a million thanks or

Joyce Mangum pictured with her daughter Diane Mangum.

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On Screen at Greenbelt Cinema

Anatomy of a Fall

For the past year, Sandra, her husband Samuel and their 11-year-old son Daniel have lived a secluded life in a remote town in the French Alps. When Samuel is found dead in the snow below their chalet, the police question whether he was murdered or committed suicide. Samuel’s suspicious death is presumed murder, and Sandra becomes the main suspect. What follows is not just an investigation into the circumstances of Samuel’s death but an unsettling psychological journey into the depths of Sandra and Samuel’s conflicted relationship.

Rustin

The architect of 1963’s momentous March on Washington, Bayard Rustin was one of the greatest activists and organizers the world has ever known. He challenged authority, never apologized for who he was, what he believed or who he desired. And he did not back down. He made history, and in turn, he was forgotten. Directed by DGA Award and five-time Tony Award winner George C. Wolfe and starring Emmy Award winner Colman Domingo, Rustin shines a long overdue spotlight on the extraordinary man who, alongside giants like the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., Adam Clayton Powell Jr. and Ella Baker, dared to imagine a different world, and inspired a movement in a march toward freedom.

Taylor Swift: The Eras Tour

The cultural phenomenon continues on the big screen in this music documentary. Taylor Swift fans can immerse themselves in this once-in-a-lifetime concert film experience with a breathtaking, cinematic view of the history-making tour.

Descendant

Documentary filmmaker Margaret Brown (The Order of Myths, The Great Invisible) returns to her hometown of Mobile, Ala., to document the search for and historic discovery of The Clotilda, the last known ship to arrive in the United States, illegally carrying enslaved Africans. After a century of secrecy and speculation, the 2019 discovery of the ship turns attention toward the descendant community of Africatown and presents a moving portrait of a community actively grappling with and fighting to preserve their heritage while examining what justice looks like today.

On Dangerous Ground

Jim Wilson (Robert Ryan) is a New York police detective on the edge. Hardened and embittered by his years of dealing with the lowest forms of criminal the city has to offer, Wilson becomes increasingly violent with suspects. For his own good, Wilson’s police captain (Ed Begley) assigns him to a murder investigation in the countryside for a change of scenery. While searching for the killer, Wilson meets the suspect’s sister, Mary Malden (Ida Lupino), a blind woman who might turn his life around.

Corrections

In last week’s Our Neighbors, Frank DeBernardo was incorrectly identified as a parishioner of St. Hugh’s Church. He is a member of the Catholic Community of Greenbelt and the executive director of New Ways Ministry, and it was staff from that group who met with Pope Francis.

The credit, by Pete Reppert, was omitted from last week’s cartoon.



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Tues. 7:00 PM
Thurs. 7:00 PM

Rustin (PG-13) (CC) (DVS) (2023) (99 mins)

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Sun. 5:30 PM
Tues. 7:30 PM
Thurs. 5:30 PM

Screen 2 - The Screening Room

Sat. 8:00 PM
Sun. 3:30 PM
Mon. 3:15 PM (OC), 5:45 PM
Wed. 7:30 PM

Taylor Swift: The Eras Tour (NR) (CC) (DVS) (2023) (165 mins)

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Descendant (PG) (CC) (DVS) (2022) (109 mins)

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- Pete Reppert



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Community Events

Greenbelt MakerSpace Sewing Machine Class

The Greenbelt MakerSpace is offering a sewing machine class on Sunday, November 19 at 1 p.m. in The Granite Building. Learn how to use a sewing machine! There will be some sewing machines available to use but bring your own for more individualized instruction. Participants are welcome to bring their own projects to receive help with them. There is a fee requested. Sewing machines (and other things) can be borrowed from the MakerSpace tool library, open Saturdays 10 a.m. to noon and Sundays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Visit tools.greenbeltmakers.org for more information and registration.

Fruit and Music

Eleanor Roosevelt High School's Music Department is bringing back its annual Fresh Fruit Sale. This fundraiser has historically been very popular in the community. Despite the several-year hiatus from fruit sales, the school's new band director, Cullen Waller, has been receiving calls from longtime supporters of the initiative requesting its return. The last day to order fruit is Sunday, November 19. Waller intends to use proceeds from the fruit sale to fund private lessons and clinics for the school's instrumental students at no cost to the families. The Music Department invites everyone to join them for their collaborative Winter Music Concert on December 14 at 7 p.m.



Trail Talk

The Annual Greenbelt Community Development Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Room 202 of the Community Center. The featured speaker will be Jeff Lemieux talking about the Greenbelt East Trail and the grant that he has obtained for implementing it.

Golden Age

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Room 201 of the Community Center. All Greenbelt residents are eligible to join or to attend as a guest. Dues for 2024 can be paid at any time and those who are new members will get November and December free by paying now for 2024.

November 8 – Fall Ticket Auction. Members have donated items to be auctioned off for charity. Buy tickets and drop one in the bag attached to each item you wish to bid on.

November 15 – Celebrate November birthdays. Bring your lunch and maybe a dessert to share.

November 22 – It's the day before Thanksgiving and many members are cleaning and cooking.

November 29 – Dhruti Patel, senior agent for Family and Consumer Services, UM, will discuss diabetes.

Diaper Distribution

The Greenbelt Nursery Project is supporting Greenbelt families in need of diapers. Parent(s) must present:

- Proof of Greenbelt residency (mail from federal, state or local government agency) displaying the parent's name and residential address,
- State-issued photo ID
- Each child's birth certificate.

This program is open to Greenbelt residents only. Signing up each month is required.

To access the signup page, go to the city website (greenbeltnmd.gov), scroll down to NEWS and click on November Emergency Diaper Distribution. For more information, call Brendy Garcia at 240-424-0302 or email bgarcia@greenbeltnmd.gov.

More Community Events
are located throughout
the paper.

Don't forget to set your clocks back on Sunday



Ladies Auxiliary Sale

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will hold its Indoor Community Yard Sale on Saturday, November 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 125 Crescent Road. Come help support the fire department and ladies auxiliary. Refreshments, as well as homemade baked goods, will be available for purchase. Tables are available to rent. See the classified ad for details.

Masks are not required but may be worn if desired. The fire hall is handicapped accessible.

Ekphrastic Fantastic Art/Poetry Exhibit

The public is invited to a reception for the artists and poets in the Ekphrastic Fantastic art/poetry exhibit at New Deal Café on Sunday, November 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. For this show, visual artists have created new pieces of art in response to poems and poets have written new poems in response to pieces of art. The exhibit will be on display until January 8.

Poetry in the Garden

The poetry monthly meeting will take place on Sunday, November 5 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse. The group welcomes poetry reading in other languages, with a short translation if possible.

For more information call Effie at 443-415-1053.

Greenbelt Orchestra Free Concert Nov. 19

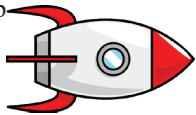
The newly-formed Greenbelt Community Orchestra will give its first concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 19 at the Community Center. They will perform music by Mozart, Weber and Elgar, as well as an original composition by one of the conductors. The concert is free and is expected to last about an hour. All are welcome. Visit greenbeltorchestra.org.

Goddard Hosts Bottle Rocket Launch Event

Arm & Hammer Baking Soda is calling all future astronauts to join them for an out-of-this-world event, launching homemade baking soda bottle rockets.

Arm and Hammer will host a baking soda bottle rocket launch in partnership with the NASA Goddard Visitor Center. Elementary- and middle-school-aged kids in the Greenbelt community are invited to bring their families and launch their own baking soda bottle rocket with other members of the community.

This event will happen on Sunday, November 5, from noon to 1 p.m. at the NASA Goddard Visitor Center. Attendees must sign up at armandhammer.wyng.com/BottleRocketLaunchRegistration to secure a spot as space is limited. Attendees should arrive with a bottle rocket already made, using the tutorial on BakingSodaRocket.com for a step-by-step guide.



Arts Advisory Board Meets November 14

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, November 14 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Greenbelt residents who may be interested in joining the board are encouraged to attend. For more information and to obtain the Zoom link, email alarsen@greenbeltnmd.gov.

Church Offers Festive Evening

On Saturday, November 4, join neighbors for a festive evening at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ. The evening starts with a spaghetti dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m., followed by a live entertainment extravaganza from 6:45 to 8 p.m. The entertainment will include the premiere of Amy S. Hansen's short comic play, Parking Garage from Hell. A free-will donation will be accepted at the door, and all proceeds go to Help By Phone.

Create Autumn Leaf Prints Sunday, Nov. 5

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program invites guests of all ages to create beautiful prints from flattened autumn leaves at the free Artful Afternoon workshop on Sunday, November 5 at the Community Center, Ground Floor East space. The activity will be led by Community Center Artist-in-Residence Rachel Ann Cross and there will be two seatings: from 1 to 2 p.m. and from 2 to 3 p.m. Advance registration is recommended; sign up online at bit.ly/3PRBPTp. Walk-ins will be welcome as space allows.

Art materials will be provided but guests are encouraged to collect and bring their own flattened leaves. Painting clothes are recommended.

Greenbelt's arts programs are supported in part by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council. For additional program information, visit greenbeltnmd.gov/arts.



Greenbelt Chess Club

The Greenbelt Chess Club will next meet on Monday, November 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the New Deal Café. The club is open to all ages and skill levels.

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New This Month

Babbitty Rabbitty & Her Cackling Stump
On October 22nd, our claymation instructor Ali Everitt teamed up with Old Fox Books & Coffeehouse to put on a shadow puppet performance of the short story "Babbitty Rabbitty & Her Cackling Stump."

All this and more on the GATE channel this week! Check greenbeltaccessstv.org for the full broadcast schedule, and visit [Greenbelt Access Television](https://www.greenbeltaccessstv.org) on YouTube for new video productions.

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*For more information on these and other events, visit the **NDC CALENDAR** page on our website.

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Obituaries

In Memoriam

Remembering Pat Hand

by Rick Ransom

Longtime Greenbelter Grace “Pat” Hand died in her sleep two weeks ago at the nursing home where she was residing near Tampa, Fla. She had only recently moved there after spending five years with her daughter Barbara and her husband Larry Wildoner, also former Greenbelters. She was 90 years old. Pat is also survived by a son Scott (Di-Ann), four grandchildren (Sarah Daye, Nichol, Amanda and Jody) and six great-grandchildren, all of whom she loved dearly.

Pat was born in Dayton, Ohio, and graduated from Elyria High School. She subsequently graduated from Virginia Intermont College in Bristol, Va., which straddles the border of West Virginia. She married William Walter “Bill” Hand in 1954. They had their son Scott while living in Ohio. Pat and Bill moved to Greenbelt to accommodate Bill’s job in the late 1950s. They welcomed Barbara after arriving in Greenbelt.

Pat was a secretary for three attorneys before working for two different judges at the U.S. District Court for Maryland. Bill Hand died in 2003 and she resided at the home she and Bill established in Boxwood Village for another 15 years. After Barbara and Larry moved to Georgia for his job, Pat started spending the winters at their new home and would return to Greenbelt for the summers. She later relinquished her travels and moved down with Barbara’s family permanently. She remained a member of Greenbelt Community Church, where we met many years ago, until her death.

At the service held for her, Pastor Clara Young related that she met Pat while Pat was still living in Greenbelt off and on. She noted that the church had adopted methods for transmitting services over Zoom due to pandemic restrictions. She said Pat was happy about that because she could continue to attend church off-site, and she did so nearly every week. Her son Scott stated that many of her conversations were about Greenbelt and the

great life she and her friends had.

The Pat I knew had a wonderful sense of humor and retained a childlike wonderment and joy when she encountered new things or happy experiences. Jim Giese related that he knew Pat and Bill in his much younger days when he was still the city manager. He said most of their social acquaintances were older and that Pat always stated she was “the baby of the group.” He recounted a specific instance when a group of friends had gone on a local shopping trip to Four Corners, Va. Upon leaving to return, everyone had piled back into the car except Jim’s wife Bernie. Jim started to pull away when he heard Pat say, in a voice filled with laughter and irony, “Aren’t you forgetting someone, Jim?”

Pat’s good friends Shirley Pray and Bea McCarthy remembered annual trips to Kitty Hawk, N.C., and later to Florida when Pat moved there with Barbara. Bernie, now deceased, had good memories of a trip to the Strawberry Farm in Florida. Shirley talked of visiting Pat on her way home from her frequent trips south. Mike McAndrew was Pat’s neighbor in Boxwood. He said the Hands had the best neighborhood parties, featuring adults and their children along with many friends from church and the community.

Pat and I got to know each other better after Bill died. She was naturally a little less involved in home life. We swapped stories about church activities and different members’ experiences. She laughed much and loved a lot. I am thankful for her friendship.



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Pat Hand

Helen Warner German

Helen Gary Warner German, 70, who lived almost all of her life in Greenbelt, died on October 23, at Rockville Nursing Home, almost seven years after receiving a traumatic brain injury from a car accident from which she never recovered.

The daughter of the late Jacob and Leah Warner, longtime Greenbelt residents, Helen was born in Washington, D.C., on June 21, 1953. She graduated from Parkdale High School and the University of Maryland.

Helen retired from the U.S. Postal Service where she served as a letter carrier in College Park for many years. She was a volunteer firefighter with the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department as well as an EMT, and began her second career as a paramedic with LifeStar, where she worked at the time of her accident in 2016.

Helen was adventurous, loved the beach, reading great books, fishing and camping. She ran the Marine Corps Marathon, did scuba diving and traveled the world. She made the world a better, brighter place, with her big personality, generosity and love of life. Everyone should be so lucky to have a Helen in their life.

Helen is survived by countless friends, especially her caretaker of the last several years, Debbie Martin. She is also survived by brother David (Melody) Warner, niece Alice (Marc) Brosey and great-nephew Elijah Brosey, all of Lenoir City, Tenn. She considered herself an aunt to several of her friends’ children.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department, the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre or the organizations helping those she loved: Camp Care, P.O. Box 35072, Charlotte, NC 28235, Cure HHT, P.O. Box 329, Monkton, MD 21111, or one’s own favored medical charity.



Condolences to the family and friends of Helen Warner German who lived most of her life in Greenbelt. She died on October 23. We are grateful for her many years of service to the community as a letter carrier, volunteer firefighter and EMT.

Our sympathies to the family and friends of Pat Hand, who lived in Greenbelt for many years. She was a longtime member of Greenbelt Community Church, UCC and her funeral was held there on October 30.

Congratulations to Pamela Hamlin who has been named as a 2023 honoree of the PBS Early Learning Champions program. The awards recognize and celebrate passionate educators of students from infancy to second grade.



Our profound thanks to Judith “J” Davis and Konrad Herling for their many years of faithful service to the residents of Greenbelt as city council members.

Good luck to the Eleanor Roosevelt soccer team on reaching the state quarter finals to be held this weekend.

On November 9, Sandra Lange will be 83 years old. Some may remember her for being the president of the Labor Day Festival for four years, for chairing Greenbelt’s 50th Anniversary Committee, for founding the Greenbelt Museum, for being selected as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen in 1987, or for commissioning and presenting the sold-out performances of the play, The Greenbelt Story. Or just for being on the masthead of The Greenbelt News Review for 56 years!

Send details of your news to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY of GREENBELT

MASS

Sundays 10:00 a.m.
City Council Room
25 Crescent Road

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OR - Join us on ZOOM!

For ZOOM link:

FDeBernardo@aol.com

“There can be no doubt whatever that if the daystar of justice, which the clouds of tyranny have obscured, were to shed its light upon men, the face of the earth would be completely transformed.” – Bahá’u’lláh



Greenbelt Bahá’í Community

www.greenbeltbahais.org

The Bible Says...

The Ten Commandments
#9-You Shall Not Lie
Exodus 20:16



IN PERSON Sunday Worship Services

10a-11:15a @ Greenbelt Elementary School
(66 Ridge Rd.)

MCFcc.org

Mishkan Torah Congregation



10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
Rabbi Saul Oresky, Cantor Phil Greenfield

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Friday evening services at 8:00pm

Saturday morning services at 10:00am

Offering hybrid services, online and in-person activities

For further information, call (301) 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org

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Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church



3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi
Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



November 5, 2023 at 3:00 pm
The Unexpected Journey

Andy McIntire with Worship Associate Lula Beatty

What do you do when you can’t complete your long planned pilgrimage? Rather than giving up Andy found a new way to reach the heart of the journey.

Streaming to our Facebook page, on Zoom and in person at 3:00 at:
University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD

Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH

Christ-centered
Biblical
& Reformed

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am

Sunday School 9:15am

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00pm

101 Greenhill Rd. Greenbelt, MD
www.greenbeltbaptist.org



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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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301-474-9410

Pastor Evelyn Romero

In-Person Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

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10:15 AM

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and Church School

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www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org

ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

- Daily Mass: Mon-Fri 7:15am*, Sat 9am*
- Sunday Mass:
 - Sat vigil 5pm*
 - Sun 8am, 9:30am, 11am
- Confessions Saturday 3pm – 4pm.

Masks for the unvaccinated encouraged.

*Live streamed on Facebook and available on our YouTube page later.

CELEBRATE WITH US

135 Crescent Rd.

www.sthughofgrenoble.org





City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER 6 - 10

Monday, November 6, **NO MEETING**

Wednesday, November 8, **NO MEETING**

Thursday, November 9 at 7 pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, *On the Agenda: Review of Updated General Orders*

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call (301) 474-8000. For information on public participation for the meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.

CURRENT CARES PROGRAMS

CARES is happy to provide the following programs FREE of charge this fall: Emergency Diaper Program, Family and Unpaid Caregiver Resource Fair, Alzheimer's Awareness Month Webinar Series, Coffee & Conversations, Two Free Produce Distribution events, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention in Older Adults webinar, Staying Strong webinar, and more.

For descriptions and information, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/CARESPROGRAMS.

GREENBELT CARES Individual Adult Therapy

Greenbelt CARES currently has openings for Individual Adult Therapy.

Please call (301) 345-6660 or email cares@greenbeltmd.gov.

FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Community Center: 1 - 3 pm, Community Center, Ground Floor East.

Contact: bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov.

MEDICAL DONATIONS NEEDED

Wednesday, November 15, 11 am - 1 pm, Community Center GFE

Have any medical gear gathering cobwebs? Seeking wheelchairs, walkers, bedside commodes, shower chairs, or any other gear. Donations Needed A donation drive-thru drop-off event for durable medical equipment.

Contact Dominique Kheav at dkheav@greenbeltmd.gov or (301) 615-1225.

WEED WARRIORS: PULL & PLANT

NOVEMBER 4, 10 AM - 1 PM

Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Road

Be a part of the community effort to restore native plant species to the environment at Buddy Attick Park. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to remove invasive plant species and install native trees and shrubs in the understory.

Register by email at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov.



NOVEMBER EMERGENCY DIAPER PROGRAM

Greenbelt CARES is supporting Greenbelt families in need of diapers. Please note that you must sign-up each month and the date & time will be provided after signing-up.

Parents must present proof of Greenbelt residency displaying parent's name and residential address, state-issued photo ID, each child's birth certificate.

For more information call (240) 424-0302 or email bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov.

GREENBELT ARPA GRANT PROGRAMS

Applications Rolling Through December 29, 2023

To better assist Greenbelt individuals, families, and businesses affected by COVID-19, Greenbelt's ARPA programs have extended deadlines through the end of the year for grants and other assistance.

To view grant programs, or to see how other ARPA programs are helping your community recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, visit www.engagegreenbelt.org.

SPONSOR THE 2023 GOBBLE WOBBLE 5K FAMILY RUN & WALK

Greenbelt Recreation is seeking local businesses and organizations interested in supporting the Gobble Wobble and its continued success.

Sponsorships range from \$100 - \$500. Depending on sponsor level, sponsorships may include logo placement on advertisements, on shirts, promotional materials, and more! If your business or organization is interested in sponsoring this year's Gobble Wobble, please contact Recreation at (301) 397-2200 or by email at aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov.

All sponsorships must be received by Monday, October 30.



HOLIDAY FOOD BOX

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR NOVEMBER

Registrations open for the Holiday Food Box on November 1. For more information or to register, call (240) 424-0302 or email bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov.

A December Holiday Food Box will be open for registration on December 1!

LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE | FALL 2023-2024

The City Public Works Department will again collect loose leaves from the following areas with the leaf vacuum from October 30, 2023 until January 2024. We remind residents to rake the leaves to the curb, but not into the street, and to remove all sticks and stones from the pile as these can damage the machinery. Areas to be collected will be posted as in past years. We also remind residents NOT to park in front of leaf piles.

OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 20 - 22	DECEMBER 11 - 15
Lakeside, Greenspring I & II	Lakewood	Woodland Hills
NOVEMBER 6 - 9	NOVEMBER 27 - DECEMBER 1	DECEMBER 18 - 22
Boxwood	Lakeside, Greenspring I & II	Lakewood, Greenspring I & II
NOVEMBER 13 - 17	DECEMBER 4 - 8	DECEMBER 26 - 29
Woodland Hills	Boxwood	Lakeside

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed on Friday, November 10, in observance of Veterans' Day.

THE GREENBELT CONNECTION WILL NOT BE OPERATING.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of November 6

Monday Route – Collected Monday

Tuesday Route – Collected Tuesday

Wednesday Route – Collected Wednesday

Thursday Route – Collected Thursday

There will be no appliance, odd metals, hard plastics, or yard waste collections on Friday, November 10.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

TRANSPORTATION TO POLLING PLACES

On Tuesday, November 7, 2023, the Greenbelt Connection will provide free transportation to polling locations for City voters between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm. Citizens who wish to avail themselves of this service should call:

GREENBELT CONNECTION: (301) 474-4100

to schedule their transportation. In addition, the City bus will make scheduled pick-ups at

GREEN RIDGE HOUSE AT 10:30 AM AND 2:30 PM

and will return to Green Ridge House after the voters have cast their ballots at the Community Center.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

As required by Section 14 of the City Charter, Greenbelt will hold a regular City Election on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023

Polls will be open from 7 am to 8 pm

On Election Day, you may vote at ANY polling place throughout the City, regardless of precinct. Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/elections for polling locations.

Any qualified registered voter with an address within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt may vote in City elections.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming election, please call the City offices at (301) 474-8000, use Maryland Relay (711), or send an email to the City Clerk at banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

A sample ballot is available on a flier at the Municipal Building and on the City website at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

EARLY VOTING

ANY REGISTERED GREENBELT VOTER MAY CHOOSE TO VOTE BY EARLY VOTING

NO MORE EXCUSES!

EARLY VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING.

EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

DROP BOX IS LOCATED IN FRONT OF EACH CENTER LISTED BELOW

Greenbelt Community Center –
(15 Crescent Road)
Saturday, November 4, 10 am – 3 pm
Sunday, November 5, 10 am – 3 pm

Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse –
(6915 Hanover Parkway)
Saturday, November 4, 10 am – 3 pm
Sunday, November 5, 10 am – 3 pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center –
(6101 Cherrywood Lane)
Saturday, November 4, 10 am – 3 pm
Sunday, November 5, 10 am – 3 pm

SAMPLE BALLOT

Greenbelt City Election
November 7, 2023

COUNCILMEMBER / VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN SEVEN (7) /

- ☐ RIC B. GORDON
- ☐ MATTHEW A. INZEO
- ☐ JENNIFER A. POMPI
- ☐ RODNEY M. ROBERTS
- ☐ MOSES N. SEKATAWA
- ☐ JAMES R. WHIPPLE
- ☐ WILLIAM A. ORLEANS
- ☐ EMMETT V. JORDAN
- ☐ KRISTEN L. K. WEAVER
- ☐ DANIELLE P. MCKINNEY
- ☐ SILKE I. POPE

ADVISORY QUESTION ON VOTING BY RESIDENT NONCITIZENS

Shall Section 15 ("Voters") of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt be amended to read as follows: (Note: Underlining indicates language to be added to the City Charter. [Brackets indicate language to be removed].)

A qualified voter within the meaning of this charter shall be [any person] every citizen of the United States who is a resident of the City of Greenbelt and [who] is duly registered with Prince George's County under [the] applicable provisions of [Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland; if not a U.S. citizen, then a resident registered to vote with the City Clerk; provided that eligibility to vote in any City election shall be subject to applicable [registration deadlines as set forth] law in the Charter and Code of the City.

Charter Amendment Question:
"Should Greenbelt residents who meet residency requirements but are not U.S. citizens be allowed to vote in City elections?"

- ☐ FOR the Charter Amendment / A FAVOR de la Enmienda a la Carta
- ☐ AGAINST the Charter Amendment / EN CONTRA de la Enmienda a la Carta

GREENBELT CITY CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the City calendar for all up to date events at greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.





COMMITTEES & BOARDS VACANCIES VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Volunteering for City of Greenbelt Committees & Boards is an excellent opportunity to engage with your community and make a difference. Choose from a number of committees & boards such as the **Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, the Youth Advisory Committee, or the Advisory Committee on Education, Arts Advisory Board, Board of Elections, Community Relations Advisory Board, Employee Relations Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, or the Park and Recreation Advisory Board** and make a difference in Greenbelt!

By dedicating your time and expertise, you will help shape the future of Greenbelt and create a community that values the voices of all its residents. Take the first step towards making a positive impact and apply for one of these committee vacancies today!

Call (301) 474-8000.

ARTFUL AFTERNOON WORKSHOP

Sunday, November 5 at 1-3 pm
Greenbelt Community Center Ground Floor East

Learn how to create autumn leaf prints with Rachel Ann Cross!

All ages welcome. FREE. Details & sign-up: <https://bit.ly/3PRBPTp>.

BUDDY ATTICK PARK MASTER PLAN MEETING

November 15 at 7 PM
Council Chambers, Municipal Building

Agenda: Survey results, park analysis/assessment, concept approaches, public feedback.

BRING YOUR OWN BAG ORDINANCE

Effective January 1, 2024, the City of Greenbelt's Bring Your Own Bag bill aims to reduce single-use plastic bag waste and litter in our local waterways and tributary system.

The Bring Your Own Bag Bill will prohibit a retail establishment from providing a plastic carryout bag to shoppers and can charge at least 10 cents for each paper bag provided to a customer at the point of sale.

The City of Greenbelt recommends the use of reusable bags, defined as: A bag with stitched handles specifically designed and manufactured for multiple reuses, made of cloth or other washable fabric; a durable material suitable for multiple re-use that is NOT made of plastic film.

For more information on this bill, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/BYOB.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

Dates & Deadlines for 2023 City Council Elections

Early voting begins	11/04
Training session for election judges and clerks	11/06
Election (7 am - 8 pm)	11/07
Mail-in ballots must be received (by 6 pm)	11/07
Final Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (12 pm)	11/10
Charter meeting for swearing-in (7:30 pm)	11/13

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

Cookies on the Bridge Offers Model for Safety, Community

by Molly Page

Gladys Noon Spellman is no longer with us, but the impact of her hard work years ago continues to impact Greenbelt. Spellman served Greenbelt for over 18 years in various capacities, including as a member of Congress, the Prince George’s County Commissioners and the County Council. She was instrumental in bringing together the Federal Highway Administration and National Park Service to create a pedestrian bridge to connect Greenbelt and allow safe passage over the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. More than 40 years later, the bridge is a crucial crossing point for many, including students heading from central Greenbelt to Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

In a city divided by highways, the overpass is a relief as a connector between neighborhoods. One pleasant afternoon, people walked their pets, or strolled with friends and used it to go shopping without a car. Some have discovered the fun of riding their bike over and back again. All are travelling above the busy highway that was such an obstacle years ago.

Unfortunately, the spot has also been the site of crime and violence. In fact, fights started breaking out regularly in the park beside the path to the bridge and students were robbed on their way to or from school. Out of this predicament Cookies on the Bridge was founded, an anti-bullying project that places volunteers at the Spellman Overpass to offer cookies to youngsters heading home from school each afternoon. The program began about eight years ago, providing an adult presence as a deterrent to misbehavior. The volunteers also offer carrots and, importantly, a friendly adult presence.

Students who use the bridge to make their way home from



Spellman Overpass, the pedestrian bridge over the Baltimore-Washington Parkway



Waiting for students

- Photos by Molly Page



Cookies on Bridge Explores Expansion; Needs Volunteers

by Robert Goldberg-Strassler

One cookie at a time, Greenbelt is addressing teen bullying in the community and creating a ‘Bridge of Caring.’ Along an isolated winding path through the woods near Greenbelt Middle School and Beltway Plaza, Cookies on the Bridge has heard from parents about students being harassed while walking home from Greenbelt Middle School. Cookies on the Bridge volunteers have decided to explore the possibility of expanding a visible presence after student dismissal from the school.

Volunteers who are looking for something fun and worthwhile to do should consider participating in Cookies on the Bridge weekdays from 3:40 to 4:30 p.m. The location will be near the rear of Target. Volunteers with cookies will meet Greenbelt Middle School students on their walk home each day. With enough volunteers, the children will be greeted with happy smiles and cookies every day after school just as the Eleanor Roosevelt High School students are met each afternoon after walking over

the Spellman Bridge. The goal of Cookies on the Bridge is to ensure the safety of students as they make their way home. Smiling faces and cookies at the end of a long school day are a great way to give students a boost and ensure they are safe. Volunteers provide their own cookies on their day to meet the children.

Contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com to volunteer to meet and greet the middle school students after school one or more days each week.

school are enthusiastic about the program. “I look forward to those cookies to give me energy at the end of a busy day,” one student told this reporter. Another enthused about the brand-name Oreos. This is the favorite part of my day,” said one student. “They have carrots for the vegetarians,” said one teenager, not realizing Oreos are vegan, and clearly searching for a purpose for the carrots.

The youths clearly got more than the cookies out of the inter-

actions. “It feels safe to see these cookie adults whom we don’t know, but feel like we do,” said another highschooler. “I like it when they bring their children,” shared one. “One person gave me tips on how to help my ankle heal because I had hurt it recently,” commented another. “They give us positive reinforcement,” reflected another. “They greet us and say things like ‘Good work!’ Or ‘You’re doing great! Keep up the good work!’” agreed yet another. The teens enjoyed not just the treat but also the connection and the community-building.

On the day this reporter visited the overpass between 3:15 and 4 p.m., there were initially no cookie-givers – RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) is currently looking for more volunteers to help with the program – but after a while a woman and her young son arrived, holding out a box of cookies and the list of ingredients if the teens needed to see them.

The stops are 30 seconds, but the good feelings last a lot longer. What better way to keep our young ones safe and teach unselfish random acts of kindness than to share a cookie and a kind word with someone?

If you’d like to volunteer to help share cookies on the bridge contact RUAK at spreadruak@gmail.com.



Help Arianna Bridges of Greenbelt compete in the National American Miss Crown 2023 in Florida.

She has been selected as Greenbelt’s representative. Assist her in pursuing her dream by contributing to her Gofundme campaign.

<https://gofund.me/32eeb28f>

Mishkan Torah Kicks Off Its New Sundays @ MT Series

by Karen Knee



Participants enjoy the event at Mishkan Torah.

Who doesn’t love a bagel and a cup of coffee on a Sunday morning? On October 22, Mishkan Torah held its first Sundays @ MT event, complete with freshly brewed coffee and bagels from Goldberg’s in Silver Spring. The aim of Sundays @ MT, an ongoing monthly event open to everyone in the community, is to bring people back to the synagogue in person to learn, socialize and connect.

Several activities catering to folks of all ages took place between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in and around the synagogue. The Social Action committee led a birding walk at the nearby Patuxent Research Refuge, and afterward the participants repaired to Mishkan Torah for refreshments.

A book club held its inaugural meeting, discussing Michael Chabon’s Pulitzer Prize winning novel The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay. Another group discussed current events. The Hebrew School had its regular Sunday morning class and a playgroup for younger children, ages newborn to five, met in an adjacent room. About 40 people attended.

Sundays @ MT will be happening again on November 12 and December 17. Specific activities will vary from month to month. This event – including the bagels – is free, and everyone is welcome to participate. To learn more, visit mishkantorah.org or email membership@mishkantorah.org.



The first Sunday @ MT event

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

HARVEST BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 10, 2023

NOVEMBER 11, 2023

OPENS

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

AT 12N

SILENT AUCTION

CLOSES SATURDAY,

NOV. 11 AT 7PM

2023 QUILT RAFFLE

"Celestial Garden"

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

12N - 8PM: CARNIVAL with Games, Raffles, Silent Auction, Shopping, Crafts, Bakery

12N - 2PM: PIZZA LUNCH

5 - 7PM: ITALIAN DINNER

6 - 8PM: CASH BINGO & BONFIRE

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

8AM: YARD & HALL SALE, COFFEE & DONUTS

12N - DUSK: CARNIVAL with Games, Raffles, Silent Auction, Shopping, Crafts, Bakery

12N - 2PM: SALUTE TO VETERANS, BBQ LUNCH, DINOSAUR HOUR, PICTURES WITH SANTA

5 - 9PM: ST. MARTIN'S DAY DINNER & CELEBRATION with MD Wine Tasting, Bakery, Kids Games, Raffle Drawings

7 - 8PM: LIVE AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

8AM - DUSK

MASSIVE YARD & HALL SALE!

FEALY HALL

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

COFFEE, TEA, BOTTLED WATER, SODAS FOR SALE ALL DAY BOTH DAYS

AND

BEER & WINE FOR SALE FOR AGES 21 & UP AFTER 5PM BOTH DAYS

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Election 2023

Council Candidate Sekatawa Misses Interim Report Deadline

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On Friday, October 27, candidates for Greenbelt City Council were required to submit their second interim financial reports by noon. These reports detail campaign contributions: where they have come from and campaign expenditures. Those reports are available on the city’s website at greenbeltmd.gov/government/city-administration/city-clerk-s-office/election-information/2023-city-council-candidates.

At the time of press, candidate Moses Sekatawa had not filed his second interim report. Shaniya Lashley-Mullen, from the city manager’s office, told the News Review that Sekatawa will be fined \$50 per day or partial day that he has not filed past Friday’s deadline, in line with the city’s

ordinance.

Additional Consequences Possible

According to the City Charter (Section 21), “Any person who fails to file reports authorized herein shall be deemed unqualified to run for election for the office of member of the council, and the city council, by ordinance, may provide that the board of elections remove the person’s name from the ballot prior to the election.” Lashley-Mullen was unable to say at what point a candidate will be deemed to have failed to file.

Reached on Tuesday, Sekatawa was not aware he had missed a deadline and told the News Review he’d neither raised funds nor had expenditures for the period in question.

Council Lauds Retiring Members

At its final meeting of the current term on October 22, 2023, council recognized Councilmembers Judith Davis and Konrad Herling, whose respective terms expire shortly and who are not running for re-election.

Davis noted that she had not only served on council for 30 years but on the city’s Advisory Planning Board for 50 years. Contrary to those who feel that Greenbelt offers fewer amenities now than in the past, Davis replied, “But I’d like to believe, as I look back, that the city has grown and moved in a positive direction.” She went on to list many projects that she has supported through the years includ-

ing Schrom Hills Park, Greenbelt Cinema, Greenbelt Museum, Police Station, Skate Park, Community Center, Buddy Attick Park, the Aquatic & Fitness Center, Roosevelt Center and the Forest Preserve. For all of these accomplishments Davis attributed their success to working with others. Mayor Emmett Jordan led a standing ovation from councilmembers and all present.

As a nearly lifelong resident of Greenbelt and a former councilmember, Herling thanked council for the opportunity to finish out the term of Colin Byrd. Herling also recalled the many improvements that had occurred during his time in the city.



PHOTO BY CARRIE HANNIGAN

Greenbelt City employee Carrie Hannigan hand-sculpted these beautiful wire figures and suspended them from the trees in her front yard on Lastner Lane, where they spookily twirl and dance in the wind and are illuminated at night. She said she was planning an entire ballroom’s worth of them, with chandeliers to boot, but ran out of time before Halloween. Maybe next year?

Volunteer Crew Tackles Weeds On National Public Lands Day

by Nadeeah Fleming

In celebration of Public Lands Day, September 30, the city held a conservation stewardship event at Buddy Attick Park. At the event, Councilmembers Silke Pope, Ric Gordon, Konrad Herling, Mayor Emmett Jordan, council candidate Danielle McKinney, members of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Environmental Defense Club, park rangers, Public Works staff and other community members came to work. Together they removed over four cubic yards of invasive species, including English ivy, multiflora rose, bush honeysuckle and Japanese barberry along the edges of the park.

The day was cool and cloudy, great weather to work outside and make a difference. The volunteers in attendance were excited to provide a service to the environment. Before the work began, Jordan talked about National Public Lands Day (NPLD) and Buddy Attick Park and its importance. Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll, the city’s environmental coordinator, provided a quick training to help the volunteers identify the invasive species and provided tools and strategies to properly remove them. The volunteers worked for three hours, removing invasive species and creating more space and resources for native plants to grow and thrive.

The hours of work contributed by teams of volunteers are an important resource for the city’s



PHOTO BY NADEEAH FLEMING

From left, Mayor Emmett Jordan works with City of Greenbelt park rangers Liz Park and Patrick Mullen and community member Jane Huntington to remove English ivy from a tulip tree trunk.

Department of Public Works in very time-consuming work. Their continued efforts make it possible to conserve and restore natural resources in Greenbelt and make it a better place to live for both people and wildlife.

NPLD was established in 1994 and is coordinated by the National Environmental Education Foundation. It is held annually on

the fourth Saturday of September and encourages the public to volunteer to help restore, improve and celebrate public lands around the country.

Nadeeah Fleming is a Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps member working with the Greenbelt Department of Public Works.

A LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT for MATTHEW INZEO
From neighbors in Greenbelt

The undersigned citizens of Greenbelt urge your support in the City Council election for **Matthew Inzeo**. We have been active leaders in several of Greenbelt’s important institutions, community organizations, and neighborhoods. We believe Matthew will be an effective advocate for all parts of Greenbelt.

This year’s candidates for the seven Council seats include five incumbents, plus six challengers for the two open seats. Among the challengers, we believe Matthew is the most deserving candidate. He has lived in Greenbelt most of his life, over 30 years. He has served for nine years on City committees, including his current service on the highly important Advisory Planning Board. He has been a County police officer for 17 years so is closely familiar with public safety issues, at a time when our crime rate has been rising. He was also a youth baseball coach for ten years, and is a Vice President of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club.

It may be helpful to note that both Council members leaving the Council, J Davis and Colin Byrd, are from Greenbelt East, so electing Matthew, who lives in Greenbelt East (but also previously in GHI) would help to maintain a geographic balance on the Council. We also recommend your attention to his thoughtful answers to the *Greenbelt News Review* candidate questions and the many specific proposals in his *News Review* political ads for action by the City.

All of us have known Matthew for many years. He is enthusiastic and forthright, but also a humble and respectful gentleman whose passion for public service we have been pleased to share. Matthew and his wife Domenek have four children. That is valuable experience too, that many of us in Greenbelt can relate to.

Finally, we urge all Greenbelt citizens to vote in the election on Tuesday, November 7. There is much at stake in this election and the interests of you and your family will be affected by the outcomes. Civic participation is a Greenbelt tradition. Please be part of it.

Konrad Herling
Konrad Herling

Ed Putens
Ed Putens

Sen. Alonzo Washington
Sen. Alonzo Washington

Linda Ivy
Linda Ivy

Rohanie Bacchus
Rohanie Bacchus

Greg Giglotti
Greg Giglotti

Greg Fisanich
Greg Fisanich

Dave Pitts
Dave Pitts

Authority of Friends of Matthew Inzeo



Carvings, Costumes, Dance Parties and Plenty of Treats

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

The Halloween spirit was out in force in Greenbelt over recent days, with several celebrations in the city. Friday, the Pumpkin Festival’s final carving took place at Springhill Lake Recreation Center (see story on page 1) and in Roosevelt Center there was a Wild Rumpus that same afternoon. The Rumpus started at 4:30 p.m. when children and adults alike joined a costumed dance party and those who gathered in the Center were also treated to a stunning performance from Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars jump rope team as well as a flash mob. Volunteers with Greenbelt Recreation had a bird’s eye view of the festivities as they circulated through the crowds in giant puppet structures, sharing high

fives and hugs. Following the trick or treating at the Roosevelt businesses, Greenbelt Cinema opened their doors for a free screening of the short film Toy Story of Terror. On Sunday, at the Farmers Market, there was Halloween fun with games for children and a guest appearance by the ghost of Edgar Allan Poe. Later that afternoon the Greenbelt Honk! Situation held a “Honkin’ Halloween Costume Parade Party” in the Center, giving yet another chance for folks to show off their costumes and their dance moves. As always, on Halloween night Greenbelt’s streets were filled with wonderful costumes and delighted children for trick or treating from 6 to 8 p.m.



PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

At 36 Court Ridge, plenty of monsters and an assortment of full-sized candy await those who dare to enter the Haunted Hollow on Halloween. A representative of each of the available candy options is pinned to the deck to aid trick or treaters in their selection.



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It seems every child has a pumpkin.



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Lambright-Davis, the CHEARS site-captain for Friday’s carving. At the Springhill Lake carving, the pumpkin seeds and guts went straight into the composting garden, just a few feet away from where they were scooped out, to make for an environmentally responsible event. Kids played lawn games and freeze tag, and balls were tossed around amidst a radiant festive environment. Everyone’s hard work was rewarded with pizza, candy and refreshments. Festival organizers and volunteers successfully brought the community together and fully infused it with Halloween spirit. Stewart says the Pumkin Festival organizers want to make the city feel a little smaller. “We

would love for people to come, get outside your own immediate community and be a part of your whole community,” she told the News Review. She hopes having more events encourages people to come out and be active members in the community. Stewart and Lambright-Davis said that the community makes their jobs easy and fun. The dedication and effort that the volunteers put into the festival make it run smoothly. “I think we’ve all coined the phrase ‘One Greenbelt.’” said Lambright-Davis. *Cavit Ireland is a student at the University of Maryland’s Philip Merrill College of Journalism writing for the News Review.*



Pumpkin seeds are replanted while the discarded parts are used to fertilize the garden after the pumpkin-carving event.

PHOTO BY CAVIT IRELAND



Emancipation Day Film Screening
The Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee, in collaboration with the Greenbelt Cinema, is hosting a program to commemorate Emancipation Day in Maryland, featuring a free showing of Descendants, a film about the last enslaved Africans brought illegally to Alabama. After the showing Evelyn Milton, a descendant of those taken to Alabama, and Melisande Short-Colomb, a descendant of Georgetown University’s 272 enslaved people who were sold by the Jesuits to save the institution, will be present to provide updates and answer questions. The film will be shown on Saturday, November 4 at 2 p.m. at Greenbelt Cinema. Other sponsors are Greenbelt Recreation and RUAK. For more information contact blackhistoryandculturegb@gmail.com.

Select Utopia Film Reviews

Two film reviewers for the Greenbelt News Review, Cavit Ireland and Anna Socrates, offer readers a glimpse of some of the thought-provoking films from the Utopia Film Festival.

The Bus

Directed by Rachel S. Roff
Cavit Ireland: The Bus gives an inside look at how a family of five lives in a school-bus-turned-home. The Whitney family left San Francisco for the mountains of North Carolina so they could have their own place where they were able to live peacefully. After years of the constant grind, working all day every day to pay the bills, the Whitneys converted an old school bus into a kitchen, bedroom, living room and restroom so they could live comfortably and get more out of life. This feel-good short shows an unconventional way the American Dream can be reached: on wheels. The winter months often have the Whitneys wishing for a cozy house with a fireplace, and they have plans to build a more traditional home. For this time of their lives, with their young children, the bus has offered them a kind of freedom in a small space, though they’re not sure how much longer it’ll continue.
Anna Socrates: In this six-minute short, we caught a glimpse of the lives of a family of five, who left San Francisco, one of the most expensive housing markets in the United States, to relocate to the North Carolina mountains and start a new life in a renovated school bus. With the help of friends and family, the young couple did a lot of the renovation work themselves to create a functional living space in a small footprint (the living room sofa doubled as the parents’ bedroom and the kids slept in bunk beds in the back of the bus).

Not shy about the challenges of raising three children in a small space, the Whitneys nevertheless showed the profound joys of living a simpler, yet more abundant life. Growing their own food, finding a community of the like-minded, and raising their children to be more mindful of nature, the young family seems happy and fulfilled. The parents admitted their journey in a few years might take them to a more fixed, permanent residence, but the lessons learned will stay with them.

Shantyboat: Rediscovering a River Way of Life

Directed by Dianne Steimel
Socrates: Shantyboat is built on the theme of living a simpler life. The director followed the more than four-year effort of her husband and a close friend to recreate a wooden shantyboat, a mobile dwelling that poorer residents of Louisville, Ky., in the 19th and early 20th centuries chose as an alternative to Louisville’s congested and noisy tenement district. Although the original shantyboat dwellers were driven to river life out of economic necessity, mid-20th-century artist and writer Harlan Hubbard and his wife Anna voluntarily recreated a shantyboat life for themselves in 1947. Together, they built their boat – a riverside studio and home – at Payne Hollow. Unlike the original shantyboaters, the Hubbards were relatively well off and well educated. Anna, a musician, even had a grand piano at Payne Hollow. The Hubbards embraced the river life; they grew their own food, cut wood, fished and lived more simply and self-sufficiently when most of post-war America was on a different path. Inspired by Hubbard’s

books about the river life, Jerry Steimel and his friend Art Baltes built their own shantyboat and launched their own two-week sojourn on the Kentucky and Ohio Rivers. The film, shot over several years, captured the process of building the boat, as well as the beauty and peace of the early morning river, the humorous attempts of Art and Jerry to catch their own fish and the community of people along the river. Friends helped launch the boat, a kind lock master shared homemade moonshine with Art and Jerry, and John, a banjo player, provided some of the music on the soundtrack.
Ireland: This documentary follows (very) inexperienced shipbuilders Jerry Steimel and Art Baltes as they construct and sail their own shantyboat down the Kentucky and Ohio Rivers. The film discusses the origin of shantyboats, stigmas around shantyboaters and why they may have had it right all along. Through old photos and quotes, the film tells the story of the lives of Harlan and Anna Hubbard, the inspiration for Steimel and Baltes. Through their journey of building their shantyboat, Steimel and Baltes faced their fair share of obstacles, including a pandemic and cancer. They were always able to look to Harlan Hubbard for advice, whose life emulated a man who was at one with nature. In a time before serious environmentalism, Hubbard lived off the land and appreciated every moment of it. This film transports viewers to the heart of America that is often overlooked,

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A tiny gray tree frog explores its new surroundings in the Henry's Hollow garden field on Hamilton Place. On rainy nights from May through July, adult tree frogs laid eggs in water containers in some garden plots. Gardener (and News Review staffer) Deanna Dawson has fed tadpoles lettuce and fish flakes all summer, and dozens have completed metamorphosis since late August. Once the froglets leave the water, they switch to an insect diet and find their way to trees, returning to water only to breed.





PHOTO BY ERIC RAUN



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question of the evening was, are bats more related to mice or to humans? The correct answer is humans. A common misconception is that bats are simply rodents with wings. The two main groups of bats are fruit bats, which live mainly in the tropics and help plant new rainforests, and insect-eating bats, which are the only kind that live in Maryland. In one night, a single bat eats thousands of insects, including mosquitoes. Bats are also critical plant pollinators, going to work when bees go to bed.

Passing around enlarged photographs for a closer look, Witcher noted that there are 10 species of bats in Maryland, the most common of which is the eastern red bat, which can fly up to 40 mph. The biggest bat in Maryland is the hoary bat, which has a wingspan of up to 16 inches. Bats can be solitary or live in large colonies depending on the species and are tree-dwelling or cave-dwelling. Cave-dwelling bat species are on the decline in Maryland and across the country due to white-nose syndrome, a deadly invasive fungus from Europe that has completely eradicated the long-eared bat in the state.

Bats in Maryland are designated as species in the greatest need of conservation, and gardening for bats is one key way humans can help. By planting flowers that bloom late in the day, such as evening primrose, purple cone-flower, milkweeds, goldenrod and buttonbush, you can attract nighttime insects for bats to eat.



The Bat Walk group assembles to learn more about bats.

- Photos by Kristin Fletcher

Witcher and Dell then led the bat enthusiasts along a trail in the woods lit by bat luminaria to try to locate bats using a special device called an Echo Meter, about the size of an iPad, to detect and identify their calls. Bats, like dolphins and whales, communicate by sonar with sounds that are at too high a frequency for the human ear to hear. Standing in a quiet huddle in the woods, the efforts of one group were rewarded when a pair of brown bats flew right over their heads.

To learn more about bats and how to help, visit dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Pages/plants_wildlife/bats/index.aspx.



Bat luminaria

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drink, photos of deceased loved ones, a censer for copal incense, religious figures and papel picado – folk-art paper cuttings.

The foods offered often include favorite dishes of the loved ones being remembered. In Ramos’ family, dishes of mole and tamales are prepared by her mother for the occasion. While it’s on the altar, the food is for the enjoyment of the visiting souls, and is not eaten by the family. Once the celebration is over and the altar is taken down, the food may be eaten. The baskets covered with decorated cloths contain fruit and pan de muertos. This special bread, made only at this time of year, can be purchased at local Hispanic bakeries.

The cut-paper banners seen on the front edge of the altars can also be purchased in some shops, but Ramos has also made them herself.

The sunny, golden marigold is a flower native to Mexico, where it’s known by its Aztec name, cempasúchil. Its use in religious ceremonies goes back to ancient pre-Colombian roots; its presence on the Day of the Dead altar is essential. The powerful, spicy fragrance is said to help lead souls into the homes of their families. Ramos’ cousin Petra Sanchez contributes a bountiful supply of marigolds grown in her Greenbelt community garden plot.

Copal incense is another source of a pleasing fragrance, a native tree resin which – as a smoke arising from the physical world yet able to enter the spirit world – was seen in pre-Colombian religions as an offering owed to and needed by the deities for their sustenance. Its use was so deeply identified with the indig-

enous religions that it was banned from Catholic churches from the conquest until the 1890s. But it has often been used in the homes of the people of Mexico, up to the present day, and can even be found in some local Hispanic markets.

The Day of the Dead altar is put in place on November 2. At noon, the family gathers to light the candles, waft copal smoke over the offerings and say prayers asking for the souls of departed loved ones to be permitted to visit the home for the occasion. On the following day, November 3, the process is reversed, with prayers bidding farewell to the souls of the departed until the next year. The altar is not kept in the home as a decoration, but is taken down once its purpose has been fulfilled.

Smaller altars can also be created in the loving memory of special pets. The day set aside for this is October 27. Sanchez created one this year for her beloved puppy Azteca, who died at a young age 10 years ago. It includes bowls of his food and water, his jacket and his favorite toy.



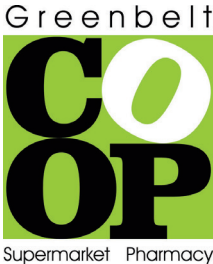
Day of the Dead altar created by Veronica Ramos in 2022

Notice of the Annual Membership Meeting

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative
Saturday, November 4, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.
Greenbelt Community Center Gym
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According to the Co-op's bylaws, 25 members constitute a quorum. In the absence of a quorum, those present can schedule another meeting, which can proceed even in the absence of a quorum.

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few weeks, by early October, the original goal of \$10,000 was surpassed and the Masquer-AID Ball was sold out.

As of this writing, the fundraiser has raised \$25,569.68. That comes from 49 sponsors ranging from \$250 to \$1,000, 57 tickets sold at \$50 per ticket, 27 contributors who made smaller donations and art sales.

The art sales came from the auction of John Guernsey's art, which was donated to the Café by Guernsey's family after he died in 2019. The art is on display through the end of October and there are pieces still available for sale.

"This experience shows me

how much the community values the Café's music and arts program and wants to be a part of keeping it going," said Gaughan.

The Wall of Fame Plaque will be unveiled at a follow-up reception in early 2024. Even after the event, Café is still receiving contributions for sponsorships and smaller donations. To learn more about the Gala and our fundraising efforts, visit newdealcafe.com/cafeball.

"I'm bursting with gratitude for the community's support for our first Masquer-AID, and we are so excited for further fundraising events like this in our future," said Gompf.



From left, Lisa Milani, Mary Molen and Isabelle Gournay pose for a photo at the Masquer-AID event.



From left, Michael Hartman, president of the New Deal Café board of directors; Katy Gaughan, gala chair; and Dan Gillotte, manager of the Greenbelt Co-op and New Deal Café Food and Beverage

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The Masquer-AID the Café Ball planning team is from left: Michael Hartman, Caitlin Gompf and Katy Gaughan. Not pictured: Charles Smith



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Greg Evans and Jane DeVane at the Masquer-AID Café Ball

- Photos by Katy Gaughan

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Recreation- Community meetings with recreation leaders and parents on how to improve and expand rec facilities and programs.

Environment- I will be environmentally sensitive, support green solutions, & oppose the Maglev project.

Economy- An increased priority on economic development, supporting business and job opportunities.

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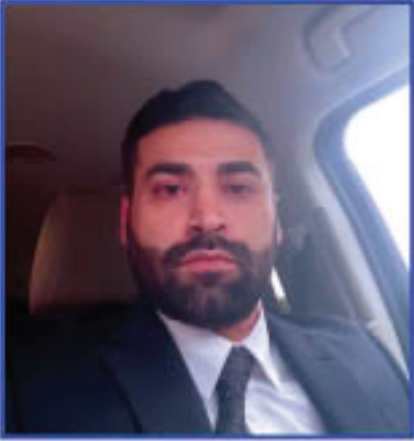

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Senior Open Forum Addresses Likes, Concerns and Needs

by Alex Murdock

A lively senior Open Forum took place on Saturday, October 14 in the Community Center, and many of those present were active participants. Also in attendance was Mayor Emmett Jordan and a representative group of city staff who fielded questions and provided information.

Moderator Carol Shaw initiated the meeting. She noted that it was being recorded and that there would be a decision to prioritize the three most important issues raised by those present. Given the upcoming November 7 council elections, she also stressed that it was a non-political meeting and asked that this be respected by those present.

Shaw’s first request was for people to respond with what they liked about living in Greenbelt. There was a rapid flow of comment.

Participant Likes

Listed in order as suggested:

- Labor Day Festival
- Underpasses (for pedestrians and cyclists)
- Roosevelt Center
- Walking paths (especially during Covid)
- The Greenbelt News Review
- The New Deal Café
- Being able to walk to the Co-op
- First responders
- Public Works
- Playgrounds
- Captioning in films in the cinema
- The natural environment
- Volunteerism and “things to do”

Issues and Concerns

Shaw then moved the agenda to address issues and concerns felt by those present. There was a significant level of discussion and responses from City of Greenbelt staff and officials present, including Jordan. Issues, ordered approximately by the level of interest expressed, were most focused on traffic, with pickleball almost neck and neck.

Traffic Speed

A desire to slow traffic through speed humps/bumps was mentioned, especially on main thoroughfares like Ridge Road. This was linked to a suggestion for continuous sidewalks for pedestrians and cyclists which would inherently encompass some form of speed restriction. There was a lively discussion about these issues, including how speed bumps might hinder first responders and snow plowing.

Pickleball

Pickleball provisions took up a significant portion of the dialogue, covering a wide range of aspects, including a desire for clearer marking of court lines and concern for the poor state of some facilities, especially in Franklin Park. Participants pointed out the game’s potential benefit to residents, noting how it engaged all age groups, including young people. City staff fielded the concerns, describing plans to improve courts. Staff noted that there are 11 municipal pickleball courts.

Greenbelt News Review

There was a desire for more distribution points for the paper in Franklin Park, and a comment that online access was not available to all Franklin Park tenants. The importance of the News Review in communicating information was highlighted.

[Editor’s Note: Franklin Park

management does not wish the newspaper to be delivered door to door, but has permitted its distribution in a few places, as well as distributing the paper’s weekly email and link to its renters. In terms of sources within the complex, one nearby outdoor box at the Cherrywood Lane bus stop near Beltway Plaza was withdrawn from service a few months ago due to persistent vandalism and the indoor stand in the laundry room was stolen. There is a newspaper box at the bus stop at Springhill Drive and Edmonston Road, a stand in the Giant Food store, an exterior box at the southwest entrance to Beltway Plaza and a rack within the mall. There is also a box at the Greenbelt Metro Station].

Cellphone Signals

Some attendees reported difficulty in getting a cellphone signal in their home and there was a detailed and well-informed discussion about measures that might address this.

Participants also had concerns about shuttle bus provisions and automatic door opening. Another concern was the need for more senior housing, presumably in response to the consistently over-subscribed waiting list for Green Ridge House.

Alex Murdock was unsuspectingly cast in the role of reporter during a visit to his Greenbelt friends. He innocently mentioned that, as a social scientist in the U.K., he was professionally interested in attending this meeting. His so-called friends then twisted his arm to write this article. As a 1974 short-term resident of then-Springhill Lake Apartments, Murdock was revisiting familiar territory.

Patuxent Refuge Hosts Holiday Bazaar Nov. 4

The Patuxent Research Refuge hosts its annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the National Wildlife Visitor Center, offering lots of fun activities all day, including door prizes every hour.

In addition to local arts and crafts vendors, Baldy’s Bargain (wild new and gently used treasures), a bake sale and Crane Café, the event features live animals, wildlife bingo, wildlife holiday story time and local author book signings. Cash is encouraged, but checks and credit cards (internet connectivity can be problematic) will be accepted.

This event supports the Patuxent Research Refuge and Eastern Ecological Science Center. Visit friendsofpatuxent.org/event-5425689 for a list of vendors and other information.

Migrating Birds’ Journeys; Scientists Tell Us How to Help

by Susan Cahill

On a recent night, an estimated 700,000 birds streamed over Prince George’s County and Greenbelt on their way south, among hundreds of millions of North American birds striving to reach their ancestral feeding grounds as winter approaches. More came through before, and more will follow every night through autumn, following their instincts, the stars and magnetic fields during the fall migration.

One can help them by taking some simple steps, scientists said during a recent migration-celebration webinar hosted by Cornell University’s Lab of Ornithology.

Birds’ migrations can be as exhausting as they are amazing, and one can help them by providing stopovers – safe places to stop, rest and refuel. “Migration is almost always about food,” said Kevin McGowan, an ornithologist who educates the public via Cornell’s Bird Academy. In North America, many of the insects and plants birds eat die or go dormant in winter. About 70 percent of bird species thus fly south, some for thousands of miles.

“Even a little patch of green in an urban area can be really important,” said Jennifer Uehling, assistant professor of biology at West Chester University, who added that one can make parts of their yards mini-stopovers and habitats that provide birds with native plants for food and places to hide from predators. Creating a safe environment means not disturbing or putting birds in danger while they rest and refuel – keeping cats indoors and dogs on leashes, and keeping a distance ourselves, Uehling said.

About 80 percent of birds that migrate do so at night, Jacob Job, of Colorado State University, noted. They navigate by the stars, in part, and artificial lights can confuse them, throwing them off-course. And it now appears that they have visual mechanisms that detect magnetic fields that help with orientation, rather than sensors in their bills, as previously proposed, McGowan said.

We can help by eliminating artificial outdoor lights, including porch lights, or at least covering them with shields that focus the light downward, and by turning off or dimming indoor and outdoor lights from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. during migration. For other simple ways to reduce light pollution, visit birdcast.info/science-to-action/lights-out.

Brendon Samuels, of Canada’s Western University, added that keeping birds from colliding with windows also is critical. Window



PHOTO BY SUSAN CAHILL

A Cape May warbler from up north stops to rest and refuel just off Greenbelt Road, at Lake Artemesia, on its long migration south for the winter. They fly as far south as the Caribbean.

collisions kill up to one billion birds a year in the U.S., researchers reported in 2014, and they happen both during the day, when reflections make windows look like trees, sky, etc., and at night, when windows are lit from the inside. Putting a decal or two on a window doesn’t help, but effective DIY solutions are available at abcbirds.org/glass-collisions.

How do scientists know when, and how many, birds are migrating across our area, specifically, and elsewhere? Data from weather radar is one technology used to track them. And analyzing DNA in birds’ droppings enables Uehling and others to detect changes in availability of various foods as birds follow migration pathways – data that matter as development and other human activities continue to cause dramatic declines in many common bird populations and habitats.

For example, a study published in 2019 calculated a loss of nearly three billion birds – almost 30 percent – from 1970 to 2017 in North America alone. The loss of breeding-age birds included in those numbers is important, because lost along with those

breeding-age birds were the babies they would have had, and the babies those babies would have had as adults, and so on. The authors cited habitat loss as a major factor.

To find out how many migrating birds are crossing Prince George’s County or elsewhere, in nearly real-time, and to see maps predicting the “hot spots,” visit Cornell’s birdcast.info. To watch recordings of the webinar, google Cornell migration celebration 2023.

Help Migratory Birds

- Turn off outdoor artificial lights at night. Many birds migrate at night and use the stars and moon for guidance.
- Make your windows obvious.
- Fill bird feeders and offer water in shallow containers. High fat seeds like sunflowers are a good source of food.
- Provide places for birds to bathe. Clean feathers are more effective for flight.

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Catching up on Greenbelters’ Travels



Kathy Labukas poses for a photo in Budapest, Hungary, along the Danube River.

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Mark Gordon from Ridge Road visits Sorrento, Italy, near where his father’s family is from.

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Erica Johns poses with the News Review in September on the Rhine River in Germany.

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Becky Rackis and Connie Davis keep up with Greenbelt news while visiting Sorrento, Italy.

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Bernheisels and Turnbuls catch up on the news while in Seville, Spain, in September. From left, Alan Turnbull, Wendy Turnbull, Sara Bernheisel and Steven Bernheisel pose outside the 16th-century city municipal building.

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By authority Jenni Pompei for Greenbelt, Kimberly Walsh, Treasurer



Rodney Roberts’ Priority Goals for the Next 2 Years

- Use ARPA funds to acquire the scrapyard and nearby vacant land for a new Greenbelt West park
- Complete the hiker/biker trail from the new Greenbelt station community to the Metro station
- Complete acquisition of the armory site and begin working with the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department to plan a new firehouse
- Work to defeat the MAGLEV train and highway widening for “Lexus lanes”
- Pass rent stabilization legislation that will stop egregious rent hikes
- Continue to oppose run away taxes
- Save Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) from proposed industrial development

For information or contributions:
Citizens to Re-Elect Roberts, 6-T Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
240-375-4947
By Authority: Joseph O'Brien Jr, Treasurer

Police, Residents Share Coffee

On Wednesday October 25, the Greenbelt Police Department held a “Meet and Greet” with Greenbelt residents at Roosevelt Center. About 10 police officers were present, chatting with residents young

and old, including Officer Erich Alvarez, the community officer assigned to Franklin Park, and Officer Mike Thomas, with Greenbelt’s Crisis Intervention team.



Officers share a doughnut in Roosevelt Center on October 25 with one of the youngest visitors to the meet and greet, two-year-old Charlie.

- Photos courtesy Greenbelt Police



City Manager Josué Salmerón, Officer Mike Thomas and Officer Abbey Kipke share coffee and conversation with a Greenbelt resident who stopped by the meet and greet.



From left, Abbey Kipke, MPO; Erich Alvarez, OFC (community officer assigned to Franklin Park), Mike Thomas, MPO (crisis intervention officer); and Officer Rahman, MPO

Loaded Semi-Automatic, Drugs Found on Masked Pair at Mall

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On Friday, October 27, security at the Beltway Plaza noticed two young men walking around inside the mall while wearing ski masks. Security officers told them that they had to leave the mall but the young men objected and were verbally aggressive. Mall security then called the Greenbelt Police Department and officers escorted the youths, who were very unhappy at being told they needed to leave and continued to loudly express their displeasure. Officers told them they were banned from the premises and the pair left, still in their masks, on foot, in the direction of Berwyn Heights.

Later, officers saw the pair walking back toward the mall,



Police discovered a loaded semi-automatic and over 300 grams of marijuana on the masked pair at Beltway Plaza.

PHOTO COURTESY GREENBELT POLICE

Senior Nutrition Program Luncheon

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunch for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at 11:30 a.m. Note the updated start time. Meals must be reserved two weeks ahead so that enough food is ordered. Participants must complete a registration form in person at the Community Center office, on Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215 with questions.

Two menu options, one vegetarian, will be offered for each luncheon. All meals, which provide at least one third of recommended dietary allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk.

still masked. Once inside the parking lot and among cars, officers detained the young men – who wanted to make off in a car – for trespassing. During that stop they found that the younger of the two, a juvenile, was carrying a loaded semi-automatic gun in his waistband. Police also discovered they were in possession of over 300 grams of marijuana. Although marijuana is now a legal drug in Maryland the amount that they were carrying made it a relevant drug possession to



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the Plaintiff's and in responding
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use the caption and the number
2023-DR-44-179. 3. That if No-
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Date: October 18, 2023



Police Blotter

Incidents reported here occurred October 23 - 29, 2023. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Greenbelt Police Department reported two domestic disputes including one involving vandalism, and three mental health diversions.

Robbery

On October 23 at 8:47 a.m. near 6101 Cherrywood Lane, a man at a bus stop was attacked by two suspects who got out of a black Nissan. They punched him and demanded his property, but he fought them off. He said he thought he'd seen the suspects hanging around and that they might go to the high school.

On October 23 at 5:03 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, three 15-year-old boys pushed a 12-year-old boy down and stole his shoes.

On October 26 at 6:57 p.m. near 5300 Smith's Cove Lane, a man was selling items online. When prospective buyers came to his home, they pointed a gun at him, pushed him down, stole his pants, jacket, cell phone and tablet and fled in a white Dodge Charger.

On October 26 at 7:04 p.m. near 6000 Springhill Drive, a woman was walking her dog when two girls asked to pet the dog, then asked to use her phone. When she refused, the girls threw her down, tried to take her phone, then fled in a light-colored sedan.

On October 28 at 6:18 p.m. near 7300 Morrison Drive, a man inside his residence saw a white Honda Accord pull up near his car. When a man got out and opened the victim's car, he went outside to confront them, and a man wearing a mask pulled out a handgun and told the victim to go back inside before they drove off.

DUI Arrest

On October 26 at 9:25 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a driver was arrested for DUI after multiple traffic violations.

Fraud

On October 24 near 9100 Edmonston Court, unauthorized charges appeared on an account. On October 26 near 6400 Ivy Lane, the bank stopped a fraudulent check.

Theft

On October 24 at 8:41 p.m. near 6200 Greenbelt Road, four individuals stole over \$1,000 worth of clothing and fled in a black vehicle. On October 25 at 2:13 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a man stole multiple items and later returned in a different shirt; he was arrested and banned from the property. On October 29 at 2:46 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road, a woman stole multiple items.

On October 27 at 2:43 a.m. near 5700 Greenbelt Metro Drive, a man put his bookbag down to use the restroom and another man ran away with it.

Packages were stolen on Oc-

tober 25 near 9300 Edmonston Road, and October 28 near 8100 South Channel Drive.

Vandalism

On October 29 at 9:15 p.m. near 7900 Mandan Road, a residence window was shot by three pellets from a BB gun.

Vehicle Crime Stolen Vehicles

Six vehicles were stolen this week, including a white 2018 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 (Md. 3FA4815) on October 26 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane, along with a registered firearm; on October 27 a silver Infiniti (Md. 3FD0205) near 6900 Hanover Parkway; a red 2019 Hyundai Accent (Md. 4FJ1724) near 9300 Edmonston Road; and a white 2021 Dodge Charger (Fla. NGFU52) near 6400 Cherrywood Lane; a red 2013 Hyundai (Md. 7EV8829) on October 28 near 6000 Springhill Drive; and a gray 2019 Kia Sorento (Md. 4EC6511) on October 29 near 9200 Springhill Lane.

Stolen Vehicles Recovered

Officers recovered a 2018 Hyundai Elantra near 9200 Edmonston Road on October 26, and three stolen vehicles abandoned at the Shell Food Mart on October 28.

On October 27 at 8:01 a.m. near the Capital Beltway and Baltimore-Washington Parkway, a 2014 Honda, reported stolen in Hyattsville, was in an accident. The driver was the registered owner, and police instructed him to update his records with the MVA.

Attempted Theft of Vehicle

On October 27 at 8:59 p.m. near 7800 Hanover Parkway, three men were seen breaking into a black 2013 Hyundai Elantra before police arrived.

Theft from Auto

Disability placards were stolen on October 24 near 7900 Mandan Road and near 7700 Hanover Parkway. Rear license plates were stolen October 24 near 9 Ridge Road (Md. 8FB1444) and October 26 near 7800 Mandan Road (Md. 6ES1930). On October 24 near 6500 Capitol Drive, a temporary tag (Md. T1310516) was stolen from a dealership.

All four tires were stolen on October 25 near 6000 Springhill Drive from a 2023 Honda Civic and near 6200 Springhill Court from a 2021 Toyota Camry; and on October 29 near 7200 Hanover Drive from a Chrysler 300.

Airbags were stolen October 28 from a 2019 Acura SUV near 6100 Breezewood Court, a 2019 Chevrolet SUV near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace and a 2015 Acura TLX near 5900 Cherrywood Lane.

On October 24 near 2 Court Gardenway, an unlocked Jeep was rummaged through.

Vandalism to Auto

On October 25 near 9300 Edmonston Road, a vehicle's rear tires were punctured.

On October 26 near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a man was arrested for puncturing tires.

On October 26 near 6400 Ivy Lane, a 2018 Rav-4 had a window broken and was rummaged through and a 2020 Toyota Corolla nearby had damage to the door frame and ignition.

On October 27 near 7800 Emilys Way, the doors of a Mercedes GLK 350 were damaged. On October 29 near 14 Parkway, a woman smashed a windshield with a fire extinguisher; the owner confronted the woman, who said she did not know what she was doing and ran away.

Vehicle windows were damaged but nothing stolen October 23 near 92 Ridge Road; October 25 near 6200 Springhill Court; October 28 near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace; and October 28 near 5800 Cherrywood Terrace.

Groping Near Buddy Attick Park

Around 7:20 p.m. on Saturday, October 28, a woman was leaving the lake trail from Buddy Attick Park and walking near a playground towards the crosswalk on Crescent Road when she was grabbed from behind by a man who then groped her private areas and called her a name that wasn't hers.

The woman pushed the man away telling him not to touch her and he walked towards the parking lot area with his hands up before fleeing in a vehicle.

The victim went to the Greenbelt Police Department where she was able to describe the attacker, a Hispanic man wearing a tank top and shorts. Detectives are investigating and asking anyone with information to contact the police at 301-474-7200.

Woman Dragged from Vehicle Assaulted During Carjacking

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On Thursday, October 26 at approximately 4:30 p.m., Greenbelt police officers were called to the rear of the Beltway Plaza for an assault and carjacking.

A woman had been sitting in her vehicle at the rear of the mall, with her windows down, enjoying the unseasonably warm weather, when a vehicle pulled up beside her. Two occupants jumped out wearing masks and approached her saying they needed her car. The woman refused their demand and began to try to pull away in her car but one of the group reached into her vehicle and grabbed her, then dragged her from it.

One person jumped into the driver's seat of her car and another into the passenger side and the group fled the parking lot in

both vehicles. The stolen car is a silver 2019 Hyundai Elantra, Maryland registration 4EL6742.

The victim was checked out by the fire department at the scene and did not go to the hospital for additional treatment.

Based on recent crime trends and the victim's description, it is likely some if not all of the group of carjackers were juveniles, though the masks they wore made it hard to be certain. No weapons were displayed during the carjacking and assault.

Later that evening, as Greenbelt police officers patrolled the parking area at the Greenbelt Metro Station they discovered a variety of the things strewn about the parking lot that were determined to be items from the stolen vehicle.

Attempted Kidnapping: Items Stolen From Stroller, Baby Unhurt

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

The report of an attempted kidnapping of a baby in Greenbelt caused a great deal of alarm and media attention over the weekend. However, the suspects may have been interested in the other contents of the stroller.

The incident took place at approximately 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 26, as a mother was pushing her 10-month-old child home in her stroller in the 9100 block of Edmonston Road. The mother reported that two dark-colored cars pulled up beside her and three young men, along with a young woman with braids, got out of the vehicles and headed for her stroller in an attempt to kidnap her baby. The woman was punched repeatedly as she grabbed her child from the stroller and ran, she told police.

The young assailants did not pursue the woman and child but, with unfettered access to the

stroller, they stole electronics, including a phone, an iPad and money that was being stored in its pockets. The youths then fled in their vehicles while the mother ran with her child to her nearby home.

Both mother and child were uninjured and did not need medical attention. The mother was returning from a market when the attack took place and believes the assailants may have been a group of teenagers that she saw there, who could have followed her.

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49,965,174 thank yous, one per minute over a grateful lifespan. Sincerely overjoyed and overwhelmed.

Joyce Mangum

Pumpkin Thanks

The Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival Committee would like to thank everyone who made our events possible this year, beginning with every single volunteer, donor and participant! We deeply regret the cancellation of the Schrom Hills Pumpkin Walk on short notice and we are committed to bringing it back next year. The carvings and pumpkin walks are one of the delightful traditions that bring our community together and all of us on the committee are pleased with how enthusiastically Greenbelters support these events.

We couldn't have done it without our amazing sponsors: Greenbelt Rotary Club, CHEARS and the Greenbelt Co-op. Special thanks to Dan Gillotte and Teddy Lawrence at the Co-op, Greenbelt Cinema, Bee Yoga Fusion, Bill Novick and LadyLaw.com as well as Joe Robbins, Carissa Ralbovsky, Oscar Velasco, Kristen Weaver and Rodney Roberts.

Thank you to Greenbelt Recreation and Greenbelt Public Works for providing outstanding support for each of our events. Last but definitely not least, thank you to our site captains, Carolyn Lambright-Davis at Springhill Lake Recreation Center and Jefe E.g at Schrom Hills Park.

Stacy Stewart
Pumpkin Queen

One Greenbelt

In regard to Question 2 from last week's News Review (Question 2. How would you increase civic participation in city government, particularly from residents in Greenbelt East and West?):

"I am from Greenbelt."

Civic engagement will increase upon the common use of this statement. Too many conversations between Greenbelters contain a disparaging remark about another part of the city within the first three sentences. We should understand that we are all Greenbelters – without distinction. This will not solve the world's problems, but describing oneself more broadly as "I am from Greenbelt" is a tiny start to more civil-ity, which could lead to civic-ity.

Joe Lomax
Proud 35-year Greenbelter

Brush Pick-up

This morning a crew finally picked up the dead tree branches between Bank of America and the construction site at the pond along Ora Glen Drive.

Scott Fifield

ARPA Funds Can Help People More

It is disappointing that Greenbelt City Council has chosen not to allocate American Rescue Plan Act resources more directly towards helping people. The City of Greenbelt needs to use ARPA funding to amend its pay scales for essential workers so that they receive regionally adjusted living wages. The city also needs to amend its employment policies so more almost-essential workers are classified as full-time, benefited employees. This is the only way to attract and keep community members in local jobs.

ARPA funds are also meant to be spent on educational support. Expanding and improving programs for after-school tutoring, reimplementing in-school volunteer tutoring, and offering academic enrichment programs on weekends would greatly help to bridge learning gaps for everyone. These programs should especially target the most vulnerable populations who lack the resources to make up for lost time: English language learners and low-income families. Every

child counts.

In the absence of countywide Head Start programming, Greenbelt should find ways to sponsor and expand Head Start programming in Greenbelt so that eligible children have access to free PK-3 programming. ARPA funds could also go a long way towards training and certifying more child care providers, and multilingual or Spanish-speaking child care providers.

Every neighborhood needs walkable options for enriching age- and culturally-appropriate summer experiences. Funding programs, whether through city departments or local groups, would directly help families, children, and, in the long term, our community. By partnering with local organizations, the city could use ARPA funds to ensure that children from low-income families are prioritized for inclusion in these opportunities right now, when the help is most urgently needed.

Leah Cohen

Wild Rumpus

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program wishes to thank all the magical creatures who participated in the Wild Rumpus on Friday, October 27 and helped to create a joyful and enchanting experience for one another. The 10, towering special guest monsters who visited Roosevelt Center asked us to thank you for the warm welcome

they received!

Congratulations to all the dancers who brought their ROAR to the party, in an empowering routine choreographed by Lisa Pellittiere, assistant director of the Greenbelt Dance Studio, a program of Greenbelt Recreation. Thanks to the third-grade students, teachers and chaperones who learned the dance with us during recent field trips to the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Congratulations also to our wonderful volunteer puppet builders and puppeteers, including: Raven Eyes Cagle, Joey Connor, Aiyana Glover and family, Judy Goldberg-Strassler, Colleen Hommel, Aurenna Komisar, Beth LeaMond, Penny Martin, Jan Morrow, Mary Anne Savercool and Kristine Smith.

The dance and the puppets were the culmination of free Greenbelt Recreation ARTS workshops, as were the musical shakers from a workshop with Community Center Artist-in-Residence Rachel Ann Cross.

Thank you to the Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars for their dynamic performance under the direction of Coach Kimberly Bradshaw. Thank you to the merchants and nonprofit organizations who hosted trick-or-treating around the Center. Special thanks to the Greenbelt Arts Center and the Greenbelt Cinema, as participating venues. Thank you to event volunteers Janice Ataiyero, Gary Kohn, Niki Kohn, Tom LeaMond and Meredith Rocha.

The Arts Program would like to thank all Recreation staff who helped to make the Rumpus possible, including Tyrique Abiodun, Clare Alexander, Isaac Aneiva, Adam Campanile, Chris Cherry, Adam Daelemans, Anthony Edwards, Hallie Eggleston, Anne Gardner, Jeannette Haislip, Gaye Houchens, Amanda Larsen, Patrick Mullen, Anne Oudemans, Cathy Pracht, Bryce Rusk and

Rebecca Squire. We would also like to thank our colleagues in the departments of Public Information, Public Safety and Public Works for their support of the event, and thanks to the mayor and councilmembers who were able to attend.

Feeling inspired? We encourage you to sign up for the Art-fans e-newsletter at greenbeltmd.gov/arts to be alerted of future opportunities to get involved.

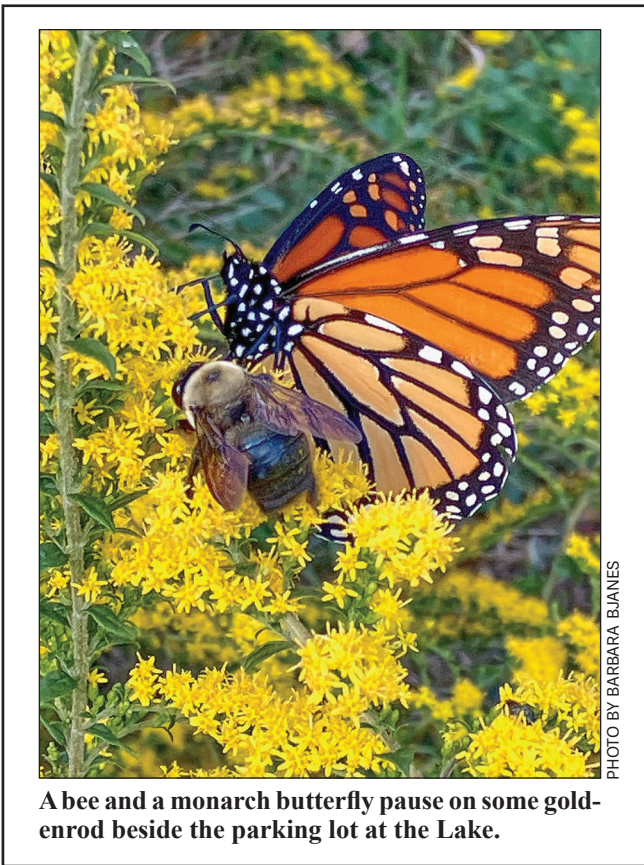
We hope that everyone has had a VERY Happy Halloween!
Nicole DeWald,
Arts Supervisor

MAD Theater Presents A Little Night Music

Goddard's Music and Drama club (MAD) will present its first in-person fall production since Covid. A Little Night Music is a musical with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and book by Hugh Wheeler. The title is the English translation of Mozart's Serenade Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, and the plot involves the romantic lives of several couples. There will be a live orchestra, and the musical includes the popular song Send in the Clowns.

Shows will take place on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. starting Friday, November 3, through Friday, November 17. There will be an additional show on Thursday, November 16 at 8 p.m. The final show will be on Friday, November 17, just in case there is a government shutdown on November 18.

Tickets must be bought in advance at madtheater.org and shown to the guard at the gate of the Barney & Bea Recreation Center on Good Luck Road. There will be no sales at the door.



A bee and a monarch butterfly pause on some gold-enrod beside the parking lot at the Lake.

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represented by the Hubbards’ way of life. They lived without electricity or modern appliances and made everything by hand from utensils to spades. Residing simply in a self-built house at Payne Hollow on the shore of the Ohio, the Hubbards’ shantyboat lifestyle gave them food, transportation and means of trade. Join Steimel and Baltes as they try to fill Harlan’s shoes as shantyboaters on a two-week cruise downstream. There’s beautiful weather, scenery, lots of fish and a little bit of trouble along the way.

Frostbyte
Directed by Hannah Papa and Victor Uzcategui
Ireland: Frostbyte is a seven-minute animated short film that takes the viewer inside a snowy, abandoned laboratory. Set atop Pico Bolívar in a cyberpunk world, a scavenger explores her way around the vast building. Following a tracking device, the main character gets closer and closer to something of great value, but one wrong step awakens a guardian. As she is face to face with a powerful obstacle, the

scavenger has passed the point of no return. Should she run? Fight? What lies beyond remains to be seen, and this thrilling interaction is packed with fiery emotion in a cold, dark world.

Wish You Were Here
Directed by Colman Hallinan
Socrates: The short, animated film, Wish You Were Here, deals with love and loss, a subject that, after the pandemic years, many are still struggling with. Colman Hallinan, the director, presents a letter to the younger sister he barely knew – she passed away as a toddler when he was still a young boy in elementary school. The film juxtaposes a montage of side-by-side photos of each of them. He grows into his teenage years, and then matures into young adulthood, while she stays the same, permanently fixed as a young child, now only living in his memory, as he has experienced other losses during his

life. The medium of animation is a perfect artistic choice here, as he depicts how missing the relationship he would have had with her has left gaps and holes in his heart during his life’s journey.

The World We Wanted
Directed by Richard Riggs Hall
Socrates: The World We Wanted looks at some of the participants in the 1959 World Youth Forum, a Cold War-era gathering of young people from around the world that was organized by the New York Herald Tribune. The forum participants lived together for a week, attended seminars and workshops, and were filmed for television. The filmmaker and New Zealand historian Catherine Bishop interviewed some of the youthful participants 60 years later. The men and women looked at film clips of their idealistic teenaged selves hoping for

a more peaceful world, where the contributions of men and women would be equally valued. The young people spoke about religion, societal and parental expectations and their hopes and dreams, and their older selves looked back on their idealism with amusement and admiration, tinged with sadness at the unrealized hopes for the world, as several generations later, they are still wishing for the same things. I’ve always imagined being able to have a conversation with my younger self, and the seven or eight participants got to do just that, with grace and good humor. The participants closed by singing a song written by one of the participants, Andy from Great Britain.



Dianne Steimel introduces her film Shantyboat.

PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW



Photo by: Sharon Natoli

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By authority of Thomas Jones, Treasurer


Since my election to Council in 2009, I have served to the best of my abilities, providing measured and practical leadership for the Greenbelt City Council

I would like to outline some of my key priorities for the next two years:

- **Strong support for the public safety and social service budget to address crime in Greenbelt.** My experience working closely with county and state representatives makes a difference as we advocate for our city.
- **Greenbelt’s capacity to protect our local economy has increased as a direct result of my time on Council.** I will continue to prioritize this work. Our staff can now actively assist existing and new businesses in the City. Increasing our tax base will reduce our reliance on personal taxes.
- **Acquisition of the Greenbelt Armory.** Over the past 2 years, I’ve worked hard with staff and state & federal representatives to obtain the empty Armory Building at Southway and Greenbelt Road. I anticipate we will get the building back from the federal government within the next year, potentially providing new space for public safety.

I bring the stability, knowledge, and experience that comes from working as a City Council member for a number of years.

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Sports

Soccer Wins Put Raider Girls into State Quarterfinals

by Patrick Gleason

The Eleanor Roosevelt Raiders entered the 2023 state playoffs in style. After Gabriella Martinez struck twice in the opening 20 minutes en route to a hat-trick, it seemed that nothing could outdo the junior’s performance. But with each additional goal – in the eventual 8-0 victory over the Wise High School Pumas – Martinez’s Raider teammates showed they wanted to enhance the show. Junior Sadie Swart caught the Puma keeper off her line with a powerful shot from 20 yards out for the third goal, then sophomore Autumn Freeman stepped in for a free kick after Martinez endured a foul 25 yards from goal. Freeman placed the ball above the keeper’s outstretched hands and underneath the goalpost, punctuated by a raucous celebration from the Roosevelt bench. Swart and Freeman both struck again from distance in the second half before sophomore Mahalet Dejenie closed out the scoring after the Wise keeper saved winger Emelin Talavera’s low curving shot. The Raiders’ 12th win of the season featured their most impressive goals thus far as junior Jada Savage helped facilitate the Raider offense with two assists.

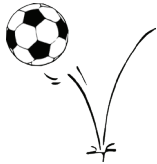
The win against the Pumas placed the Raiders in the October 31 region final with the C.H. Flowers’ Jaguars, which the Raiders won 5 to 0 behind another Savage hat trick along with goals from Freeman and Martinez. The state quarterfinals take place on Friday, November 3, and Saturday, November 4, with a place in the state semifinals at hand.



Angel Ngwane and Sadie Swart celebrate a Raider goal with a host of teammates earlier this season.



Junior Sadie Swart helps conduct the Roosevelt offense as defender Angel Ngwane looks on.



- Photos by Vanessa van der Have

At the Library

The Greenbelt Library will be closed on Friday, November 10 through Sunday, November 12 in observance of Veterans Day. Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays; noon to 8 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays; and 1 to 5 p.m., Sundays.

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